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SUBJECT: EC THIRD COUNTRY MEAT DIRECTIVE

1. USDA HAS REVIEWED ANNEX B OF THIRD COUNTRY MEAT DIRECTIVE (R/2197/72). ANALYSIS INDICATES THAT PROVISIONS OF U. S. WHOLESOME MEAT ACT COMPLY WITH MAJORITY OF REQUIREMENTS; HOWEVER WE FIND MANY DIFFERENCES OCCUR. ALTHOUGH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS CONSIDERED DESIRABLE AND WORTHY OF US ADJUSTMENT, MAJOR DIFFICULTIES FALL INTO SEVERAL CATEGORIES:

(A) SOME REQUIREMENTS LACK SCIENTIFIC JUSTIFICATION;

(B) LEGALLY WE CANNOT COMPLY IN SOME CASES;

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(C) COST OF COMPLIANCE IN SOME CASES WOULD BE BEYOND
ACCEPTANCE OF OUR INDUSTRY;

(D) US CATTLE AND HOG INDUSTRY PLANT OPERATIONS ARE ENORMOUS
COMPARED WITH EC. THEREFORE US CUSTOMARILY USES NON-
PROFESSIONAL MEAT INSPECTORS UNDER VETERINARIAN SUPERVISION.
THIS SUGGESTS IT IMPOSSIBLE PROVIDE SUFFICIENT NUMBER
VETERINARIANS AS REQUIRED BY DIRECTIVE.

2. WE HAVE DISCUSSED AND ATTEMPTED OBTAIN SOME MODIFICATIONS
THESE DIRECTIVES FOR PAST TEN YEARS IN CODEX, EEC, AND BI-
LATERALLY WITH GERMANY AND OTHERS. TO DATE RESULTS HAVE BEEN
MINIMAL. WE CURRENTLY PLAN DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER THIRD
COUNTRY SUPPLIERS TO DECIDE BEST COURSE OF ACTION.

3. PLEASE CONTINUE YOUR ALERT REPORTING OF NEW DEVELOPMENTS
WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES IN PROPOSED
REGULATIONS, TIMING CONTEMPLATED FOR IMPLEMENTATION, AND ANY
OTHER DEVELOPMENTS. ENGLISH TRANSLATIONS O NEW DOCUMENTATION
WOULD BE PARTICULARLY HELPFUL. RUSH

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